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NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices were unchanged on all sizes in New York, Chicago, and Boston. Elsewhere, prices were lower on the larger sizes and unchanged on medium. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand was light to moderate and was best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were adequate to ample for current needs. Breaking stock demand was light to moderate for adequate to fully adequate supplies. Light type hens were fully sufficient for regular processing schedules.

NORTH ATLANTIC In Philadelphia, prices were unchanged to 3.5 cents lower on the larger sizes and unchanged for mediums when based on previous week average prices. In Boston and New England, prices were unchanged. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand was reported as light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for full trade needs. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate and demand ranged light to moderate. Light type fowl were fully adequate for the light demand.

MIDWEST Prices in Detroit and major Ohio and Wisconsin cities were sharply lower for the larger sizes, unchanged for medium, and 2 cents lower for small. Prices to producers in lowa-Minnesota-Wisconsin were unchanged. Trade sentiment was about steady. Retail demand was light to moderate at best. Food service movement was moderate to good. Supplies were adequate for jumbos and fully adequate to ample for the balance of the sizes. Central States nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent lower. Demand was light to mostly moderate with company owned production and regular commitments satisfying most needs. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced. Trade sentiment cautiously steady.

CHICAGO Prices for all sizes unchanged. The trade sentiment steady to barely steady. Retail and food service demand moderate, best where specials are a factor. Supplies of larger sizes adequate, smaller sizes mixed.

SOUTHERN Prices in Atlanta and Florida were lower on the larger sizes and unchanged on medium. Elsewhere, prices were unchanged. The trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Demand was light to moderate, best where features were in progress for this week. Supplies were adequate to available for trade needs. The average price on Grade A or better white cartoned large eggs delivered to volume buyers in the Southern region for the week ending August 10, 2001 was 67.25 cents, which was 1.99 cents less than a week ago and 0.15 cents less than the same week last year. Breaking stock offerings were fully adequate for the light to moderate demand. Light type hens were fully sufficient for normal slaughter schedules.

WESTERN Prices 6 cents lower on extra large and 7 cents lower on large throughout the region, jumbos ranged 5-6 cents lower, mediums unchanged to 2 cents lower. The Pacific region inventory was 2% lower than last Monday with California up 2% and Oregon-Washington-Utah down 8%. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings ample.

NEW YORK Prices were unchanged on all sizes. The market tone was steady to barely steady. Demand into all channels ranged light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available for trade requirements.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, GRADE A AND US GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR OR WAREHOUSE, CENTS

| PER DOZEN. | EXIRA | | |
|-----------------------------|---------|---------|--------|
| NORTHEAST CITIES | LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM |
| Boston (Brown) | 98-100 | 85-87 | 60-62 |
| New York | 63-65 | 60-63 | 43-46 |
| Philadelphia | 61-65.5 | 59-63.5 | 42-43 |
| SOUTHERN CITIES | | | |
| Atlanta (1) (2) | 55-56 | 53.5-55 | 35-36 |
| Jackson (1) | 66-67 | 62-63 | 44-45 |
| Major Louisiana Cities (1) | 64-76 | 60-74 | 40-54 |
| MIDWEST CITIES | | | |
| Chicago | 52-57 | 51-56 | 35-40 |
| Detroit (2) | 49-52 | 48-51 | 31-34 |
| Major Ohio Cities (2) | 50-56 | 49-54 | 32-38 |
| Major Wisconsin Cities | 53-61 | 51-58 | 35-42 |
| WESTERN CITIES | | | |
| Houston (1) | 72-74 | 68-70 | 48-50 |
| California (Grade AA)(1)(3) | 91 | 82 | 66 |

- (1) Prices reported weekly
- (2) Delivered Warehouse
- (3) Reported Invoice prices

CALIFORNIA Prices 5 cents lower on jumbo, 6 cents lower on extra large, 7 cents lower on large, and 2 cents lower on medium and small. The California inventory was 2% higher than last Monday. Retailer demand light to moderate. Offerings ample. Small invoice price 46. Ads in Northern California: major- medium dozen 159; smaller outlets - large 18 pack 99, medium dozen 79.

PRICES INVOICE, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| | RANGE |
|-------------|-------|
| JUMBO | 107 |
| EXTRA LARGE | 91 |
| LARGE | 82 |
| MEDIUM | 66 |

PRICES TO CONSUMERS MAJOR CHAINS, METROPOLITAN AREA, USDA GRADE AA AND GRADE AA, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| SOUTHERN CAL | IFORNIA | NORTHERN CAL | NORTHERN CALIFORNIA | | | |
|--------------|---------|--------------|---------------------|--|--|--|
| | RANGE | | RANGE | | | |
| JUMBO | 239-289 | JUMBO | 245-289 | | | |
| EXTRA LARGE | 229-269 | EXTRA LARGE | 215-249 | | | |
| LARGE | 199-229 | LARGE | 189-239 | | | |
| MEDIUM | 179-199 | MEDIUM | 159-199 | | | |

NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending August 17, 2001 will increase by 9 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending August 10, 2001 were 241,457 cases which was 11 percent above the prior week and 8 percent above estimates.

| | CARTONED | LOOSE | TOTAL |
|------------------------------|----------|--------|---------|
| Cases purchased present week | 208,679 | 32,778 | 241,457 |
| % change from the prior week | +16 | -13 | +11 |

Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 17 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK Nest run breaking stock prices were unchanged with checks and undergrades 1 cent lower. Demand was light to mostly moderate with company owned production and regular commitments satisfying most needs. Offerings adequate to fully adequate. Floor stocks balanced. Trade sentiment cautiously steady. PRICES PAID TO 11:00 AM, MATERIAL EXCHANGED, 30 DOZEN CASE EQUIVALENT, 48 LB. MINIMUM NET WEIGHT, DELIVERED TO BREAKERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| | RANGE | MOSTLY |
|----------------------|-------|--------|
| NEST RUN | 29-31 | 29-30 |
| CHECKS & UNDERGRADES | 12-16 | |

CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR,CO,IA,IL,IN,KS,LA,MI,MN,MO,NM,ND,NE,OH,OK,SD,TX,WI

<u>SOUTH CENTRAL HEAVY LIVE HEN</u> Prices were generally unchanged compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for adequate offerings of spent hens. Finished sales were fair with schedules sufficient for needs. Trade sentiment was generally steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-AUG-01

RANGE MAJORITY WTD CENTS/LB. AVG

AT FARM BUYER LOADING 7-11 8-9 8.52 WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

SOUTHEAST HEAVY LIVE HEN Majority prices were unchanged when compared to a week earlier. Demand was light to moderate for ample offerings. Processing schedules were reported as normal to heavy. Canner supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trade needs. The undertone was mostly steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP) *FINAL PRICE, CENTS PER LB., GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 13-AUG-01

| | RANGE | MAJORITY | WTD |
|---|-----------|------------|------|
| (| CENTS/LB. | | AVG |
| | 5-10.5 | 8-9 | 8.04 |
| 3 | TOO | FEW TO REP | ORT |

AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING TOO FEW TO REPORT TOO FEW TO REPORT

* WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

AT FARM BUYER LOADING

WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-AM Aug 13, 2001 STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ (30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

| | (| | NO | _ | | -, | 5-Area |
|------------|----------|--------|-------|-------|---------|---------|---------|
| | Nor | theast | CENT | CEN | | Pacific | ; |
| Jumbo | Curr Wk | 5.9 | 11.3 | 4.6 | 11.1 | 10.4 | 43.3 |
| | Change | -2.6 | -4.4 | 0.3 | -0.8 | -1.9 | -18% |
| Ex Lge | Curr Wk | 27.0 | 37.2 | 10.6 | 24.2 | 23.6 | 122.6 |
| J | Change | -1.6 | -3.0 | -1.8 | 1.2 | -1.2 | -5% |
| Large | Curr Wk | 36.4 | 105.7 | 54.5 | 81.0 | 87.1 | 364.7 |
| | Change | -9.8 | -12.3 | -7.3 | 2.3 | 0.3 | -7% |
| Medium | Curr Wk | 17.0 | 44.0 | 22.0 | 26.2 | 26.6 | 135.8 |
| | Change | 0.2 | 5.7 | 0.1 | 1.6 | -0.7 | 5% |
| Small | Curr Wk | 5.6 | 14.9 | 8.0 | 9.8 | 6.2 | 44.5 |
| | Change | 0.3 | 3.4 | 0.2 | -3.3 | -3.0 | -5% |
| Misc | Curr Wk | 5.5 | 29.9 | 8.9 | 11.2 | 5.8 | 61.3 |
| | Change | 0.5 | 8.1 | -4.6 | 0.7 | 1.0 | 10% |
| Ungraded | Curr Wk | 24.3 | 67.9 | 21.2 | 36.6 | 30.5 | 180.5 |
| | Change | -0.4 | -4.7 | -6.3 | 3.2 | 1.7 | -3% |
| Total | Curr Wk | 121.7 | 310.9 | 129.8 | 200.1 | 190.2 | 952.7 |
| Percent | Change | -10% | -2% | -13% | 3% | -2% | -4% |
| TOTAL | | N | umber | of | Percent | Nur | mber of |
| | | | Case | s | Change | Соор | erators |
| Shell Egg | | | 952. | 7 | -4% | | 172 |
| Shell Egg | Breaking | Stock | | | 12% | | 38 |
| Total Shel | l Egg | | 1265. | 6 | 0% | | 210 |

1/Information is supplied by a universe of 172 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. Sample does not represent total U.S. inventory but includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

CANADIAN EGGS MONTREAL: WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICE TO RETAILERS (CANADIAN CENTS) GRADED IN CARTONS, AS REPORTED BY CANADA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 31, 2001

GRADE A XLARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 178.8 175.8 166.7 113.6 MINIMUM PRODUCER PRICES FOB FARM FOR THE WEEK COMMENCING JULY 31, 2001 AS ESTABLISHED BY ONTARIO EGG AND FOWL PRODUCERS MARKETING BOARD.

GRADE A XLARGE LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 139 139 129 77

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| TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — DAILY WTD AVERAGE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR AUGUST 10, 2001 | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------|-------|-------|----------------|----------|------|-------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| CURRENT | LOADS 2 | 1.50 | | | FUTU | RE LOADS | 20.2 | 5 TO | TAL LO | ADS | 41.75 | | |
| | SE | | NE | M\ | W LOADS | | S | C | NV | N | SI | W LO | ADS |
| CLASS | ORG DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | CLASS | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | ORG | DST | |
| GNR W 1 | 32.00 34.00 | 33.50 | 35.00 | _ | — 10.00 | GNR W 2 | _ | 37.00 | _ | _ | _ | _ | 1.00 |
| GNR W 2 | | _ | _ | 34.00 | — 1.00 | GL W XL | | _ | | _ | _ | 53.00 | .50 |
| GL W XL | | 43.00 | 44.00 | 43.00 | — 5.50 | GL W LG | _ | _ | _ | 40.00 | _ | 39.00 | 3.75 |
| GL W LG | | 39.50 | 41.00 | 29.80 | — 7.50 | | | | | | | | |
| GL W MD | | _ | _ | _ | — 1.50 | | | | | | | | |
| GL W SM | | 15.00 | 16.50 | _ | — 1.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 48 | | 26.00 | 27.00 | _ | — 5.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 45 | | _ | _ | _ | 25.00 10.00 | | | | | | | | |
| NRBS - 39 | | 18.00 | 19.00 | _ | — .25 | | | | | | | | |

TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES — WEEKLY (5-DAY) WTD AVE PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR 08/06/01-08/12/01 **CURRENT LOADS** 113.25 **FUTURE LOADS** 79.75 **TOTAL LOADS** MW LOADS SC SE NF NW **CLASS** DST **CLASS** ORG DST ORG DST ORG ORG DST ORG DST ORG DST LOADS GNR W 1 45.00 34.50 39.28 36.63 36.67 32.00 35.58138.50 GNR W 1 44.00 -47.50GNR W 2 -37.0032.67 — 12.50 GNR W 2 35.67 5.50 GNR W 3 4.00 GNR W 3 2.00 GNR W 4 21.83 24.38 5.00 GNR W 4 23.00 1.00 **GNR BR 1** 39.00 34.00 35.00 3.00 GL W J 1.25 61.00 **GNR BR 2** 2.00 GL W XL 39.00 49.00 31.50 33.00 53.84 11.00 GL W J 50.50 73.00 1.25 GL W LG 37.00 40.00 42.33 17.00 49.00 44.71 GL W XL 50.00 46.28 46.74 45.13 41.00 68.75 GL W MD 27.00 24.00 27.92 12.00 GL W LG **—** 46.11 41.75 44.69 30.80 41.82 48.50 GL W SM 5.00 GL W MD 22.95 27.75 46.00 GL BR XL .50 18.00 21.86 23.09 25.59 58.00 GL W SM 18.25 20.00 15.40 16.90 -16.00GL BR LG 58.00 1.50 GL BR XL .25 1.00 NRBS - 50 1.25 GL BR LG NRBS - 48 3.00 **—** 25.00 GL BR MD 1.00 **NRBS - 50** 31.00 5.00 **NRBS - 48 —** 30.00 26.00 27.00 29.67 30.00 56.00 **NRBS - 45** 26.40 29.40 21.80 25.12 33.50 NRBS - 42 — 1.00 15.83 17.83 20.17 12.50 NRBS - 39 **NRBS - 36** 5.00 7.00 2.00

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED.

| NUMBER OF CASES OF EGGS S | SHIPPED TO CALIFORNIA | 07/29/01 - 08/04/01 | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------|
| State | # Cases Shipped To | # Cases Shipped To | # Cases Shipped To | Total State |
| | Northern, CA | Central, CA | Southern, CA | |
| Colorado | 0 | 0 | 7,033 | 7,033 |
| Georgia | 0 | 0 | 840 | 840 |
| Iowa | 1,428 | 1,564 | 30,524 | 33,516 |
| Maine | 0 | 0 | 1,640 | 1,640 |
| Michigan | 0 | 0 | 2,570 | 2,570 |
| Minnesota | 0 | 1,650 | 851 | 2,501 |
| Missouri | 0 | 0 | 7,164 | 7,164 |
| Nevada | 0 | 0 | 648 | 648 |
| New Hampshire | 0 | 0 | 840 | 840 |
| Ohio | 0 | 0 | 2,370 | 2,370 |
| Oregon | 1,091 | 1,209 | 0 | 2,300 |
| Texas | 960 | 0 | 950 | 1,910 |
| Utah | 4,015 | 3,022 | 5,067 | 12,104 |
| Washington | 0 | 306 | 0 | 306 |
| Wisconsin | 0 | 0 | 960 | 960 |
| TOTAL | 7,494 | 7,751 | 61,457 | 76,702 |
| SHIPPED TO MILITARY | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| SHIPPED TO NONMILITARY | 7,494 | 7,751 | 61,457 | 76,702 |

NEW ENGLAND

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CASES EXCHANGED, GRADE YIELD BASIS, BROWN EGGS LOOSE, AT FARM, CENTS PER DOZEN.

 JUMBO
 EX-LARGE
 LARGE
 MEDIUM
 SMALL

 125-128
 79-82
 66-69
 41-44
 17-20

NORTH CAROLINA EGGS

PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

| EX-LARGE | LARGE | MEDIUM | SMALL |
|----------|-------|--------|-------|
| 75.34 | 72.03 | 50.57 | 38.03 |

DETROIT EGGS

PRICES TO FIRST RECEIVERS, CASES INCLUDED, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, 30 DOZEN CASES, WHITE EGGS LOOSE, CENTS PER DOZEN.

 JUMBO
 EX-LARGE
 LARGE
 MEDIUM
 SMALL

 57-60
 48-54
 46-51
 29-34
 17-21

HONOLULU, OAHU-WHITE SHELL EGGS

LOCAL EGG MARKET PRICES AND INVENTORY FROM LOCAL PRODUCERS ARE NOT AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF PUBLICATION

Receipts from the mainland: 07/29/01-08/07/01

30-dozen cases 6,332

Receipts from the mainland: 07/22/01-07/28/01

30-dozen cases 5,591

IOWA-MINNESOTA-WISCONSIN

PRICES PAID TO PRODUCERS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

LARGE MEDIUM SMALL 29-32 13-15 3-6

 COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS
 (In Thousands)

 ON HAND
 08/06/01
 07/30/01
 08/07/00

 PACIFIC COAST
 230
 348
 852

 LOS ANGELES
 0
 0
 704

U.S. MONTHLY INVENTORY OF DRIED EGG SOLIDS AS OF JULY 31, 2001 COMPARISONS ON THE BASIS OF MATCHED PLANTS

| | NUMBER OF | % CHANGE | % CHANGE |
|--|------------|------------|-----------|
| CLASS | POUNDS | LAST MONTH | LAST YEAR |
| WHOLE | | | |
| PLAIN | 1,068,412 | 4 | -21 |
| FREE FLOWING | 2,299,037 | 9 | -47 |
| BLEND | 780,054 | 16 | -27 |
| WHITE | | | |
| (ALBUMEN) | 7,019,566 | 13 | 0 |
| BLEND | 253,000 | 59 | 21 |
| YOLK | | | |
| PLAIN | 670,929 | 16 | -43 |
| BLEND | 42,500 | 31 | 21 |
| FREE FLOWING (W/SODIUM SILICO ALUMINATE) | 1,100,892 | 47 | -51 |
| TOTAL | 13,234,390 | 15 | -18 |

DRIED EGGS PROCESSED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION: JULY 01, 2001 - JULY 28, 2001 TOTAL 10,978,000 POUNDS.

Calculations were adjusted to represent matched plants from current month compared to previous month, and current month compared to previous year. Subsequently, the percent change calculations may be based on different cooperators if directly compared with data on previous reports.

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